Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—152 per cent. premium, ex div., for the end of the month.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—$87½ per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—$78 per share, sales and buyers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 265 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—$75 per share.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 108 per share, sellers.
Chinese Insurance Company—$200 per share, sellers.
On Lai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$340 per share, ex div.
China Fire Insurance Company—$71 per share, ex div.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 52 per cent. premium, ex div., sellers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. —$206 per share, sales and sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—53 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company—$130 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company,—$195 per share, sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company. Limited—15 per cent. dis., buyers.
Douglas Steamship Company—$50 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$157 per share, buyers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$40 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Ice Company—$54 per share, ex. div., sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited, —$90 per share.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A—2 per cent. premium.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—8 per cent. premium.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—9 per cent. premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—9½ per cent. premium.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$49 per share.
Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$20 per share.
Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co —$12 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—40 and 41½ per cent. premium, sales.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/0⅝
Bank Bills, on demand 3/0⅞
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/1
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/1½
Credits, ...3/1⅛
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/1⅛
ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 3.88
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3 97
ON INDIA, T. T. 220½
On Demand 220⅝
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, T. T. 72½
Private, 30 days' sight 73

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA ...per picul	$575 to $590
(Allowance, Taels 60).	
OLD MALWA ...per picul	$560
(Allowance, Taels 88).	
NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest	$488½
NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest	$491½
NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest	$503½
NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest	$486½
NEW BENARES, (without choice) per chest	$480
NEW BENARES, (bottom) per chest	$490
NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$750
OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$650
OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul	$450 to $550

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Swatow and Shanghai.—Per *Canton*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Saigon.—Per *Duburg*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 4.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Teheran*, to-morrow, the 2nd instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Taiwanfoo.—Per *Thales*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Yokohama and San Francisco.—Per *City of Rio de Janeiro*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Tientsin.—Per *Kwongsang*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Manila.—Per *Zafiro*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Haiphong.—Per *Danube*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Hoihow and Bangkok.—Per *Taichiow*, on Saturday, the 3rd instant, at 5.00 P.M.

For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, and Calcutta.—Per *Saghalien*, on Wednesday, the 7th instant, at 11.00 A.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Polyhymnia*, on Saturday, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

29th February, 1888.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.17	21	—	ESE	2	2	—
Tokio	30.12	—	—	NW	4	—	—
Nagasaki	30.07	—	—	ESE	4	—	—
Shanghai	30.14	49	82	ENE	1	0	—
Amoy	30.15	60	88	SW	4	b	—
Hongkong	30.00	67	68	E	3	0	—
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bolinao	29.94	81	—	NNW	2	b	—
Manila	29.90	83	79	SE	2	0	—

1st March, 1888.—At 10 a.m.

STATION	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.13	26	92	ESE	3	0	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	29.97	—	—	SE	4	—	—
Shanghai	—	51	90	WNW	1	b	—
Amoy	30.09	59	88	NE	2	b	—
Hongkong	30.05	68	73	E	2	0	—
Haiphong	30.04	70	90	ESE	2	c	—
Bolinao	29.98	81	—	ESE	3	b	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

The barometer has risen slightly in Tonquin and fallen elsewhere. Gradients are slight. The weather is fine but rather warm and damp.

1—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. 2—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. 3—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4—Direction of the wind to two points. 5—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6—State of the weather, b Blue sky, c Detached clouds, d Drizzling rain, f Fog, g Glossy, h Hail, l Lightning, o Overcast, p Passing showers, q Squally, r Rain, s Snow, t Thunder, v Visibility, w Dew wet. 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOSSACK.

Hongkong Observatory, 1st March, 1888.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. FALCONER & Co.'s Registers).

To-day.

Barometer—9 A.M.	30.08
Barometer—1 P.M.	29.97
Barometer—4 P.M.	29.91
Thermometer—9 A.M.	68
Thermometer—1 P.M.	71
Thermometer—4 P.M.	70
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	64
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	66
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	66
Thermometer—Maximum	71
Thermometer—Minimum	67

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

ASHBURNE, British steamer, 1,613, John Walker, 29th Feb.,—Saigon 24th Feb., Rice and Paddy.—Butterfield & Swire.

FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,219, W. Thompson, 1st March,—Kutchinotzu 25th Feb., Coals.—Mitsui Bussan Kaishia.

ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, R. M. Talbot, 1st March,—Manila 27th Feb., General.—Russell & Co.

FORMOSA, British steamer, 687, P. Hall, 1st March,—Swatow 29th Feb., General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

FERO, German steamer, 754, T. N. Hansen, 1st March,—Saigon 25th Feb., Rice.—Ed. Schellhas & Co.

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,503, A. Croad, 1st March,—Shanghai 26th Feb., and Swatow 29th, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

GAELIC, British steamer, 4,205, G. G. Pearne, 1st March,—San Francisco 1st Feb., and Yokohama 25th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

NATAL, French steamer, 4,036, Such, 1st March, —Marseilles 29th January, Alexandria 3rd February, Port Said 4th, Suez 6th, Aden 11th, Colombo 18th, Singapore 23rd, and Saigon 27th, Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.

KWONGSANG, British steamer, 899, T. H. Sellar, 1st March,—Whampoa 1st March, General. —Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DANUBE, British steamer, 561, R. Unsworth, 1st March,—Haiphong 28th Feb., General.—A. R. Marty.

AMIGO, German steamer, 771, C. A. Hundevadt, 1st March,—Saigon 29th February, Rice.—Wieler & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE

Yung-ching, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
Canton, British steamer, for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

March 1, *Smit*, Dutch steamer, for Saigon.
March 1, *Angers*, British steamer, for Saigon.
March 1, *Namoa*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
March 1, *Phuquoc*, French steamer, for Haiphong.
March 1, *Nanshan*, British str., for Swatow.
March 1, *Bengal*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Amigo*, str., from Saigon.—190 Chinese for Amoy.

Per *Danube*, str., from Haiphong.—12 Europeans and 41 Chinese.

Per *Ashburne*, str., from Saigon.—13 Chinese.

Per *Zafiro*, str., from Manila.—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Robles, Captain Johnson, Rev. Nicanor, Rev. Lisundia, Rev. Eugenio Aguenezabal, Mr. R. H. Wood, and 35 Chinese.

Per *Fero*, str., from Saigon.—8 Chinese.

Per *Formosa*, str., from Swatow.—14 Chinese.

Per *Fushun*, str., from Shanghai.—Captain Wallace, and 79 Chinese.

Per *Natal*, str., from Marseilles.—Messrs Paulhan and 3 children, Ussing, and Bloume. From Calcutta.—Mr. Carret. From Batavia.—Mr. and Mrs. Guerrieri Borgeotti. From Singapore.—Mr. and Mrs. Guerrieri Lazzeri, Rev. Honnacott, and 5 Chinese. From Saigon.—Messrs. Delahaye, Ngan Poy, and 104 Chinese. From Marseilles.—For Shanghai.—Messrs Mac Kei Tchang, Berinedoague, Carrey, Geerts, and Pang. From Singapore.—Messrs. Adamson and servant, and Farrer. From Singapore. —For Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Drew.

Per *Gaelic*, str., from San Francisco, &c.—Miss Ella May, Mrs. C. de Pas, Messrs. H. A. McLeod, J. W. May, Chas. L. Fair, C. C. Crucius, and H. G. Simin.

DEPARTED.

Per *Namoa*, str., for Swatow, &c.—10 Europeans and 100 Chinese.

Per *Nanshan*, str., for Swatow.—100 Chinese.

Per *Bengal*, str., from Hongkong.—For Singapore.—Baron von Stark, Baron von Klamp, Baron von Hugo, 3 European male servants, and 2 native servants, Messrs. G. Gracewood, J. Sloan, J. W. Benskin, and F. Fox. For Madras. —Mr. F. B. Tuck. For Bombay.—Messrs. S. E. Shellim, E. S. Sethna, S. Mehta, P. F. Tolatee, and Kavasji Edulji. For London.—Mr. and Mrs. Hope Johnstone and maid, Mrs. and Master Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Foord, Messrs. T. A. Nielsen and Jno. Collett. For London via Marseilles.—Mr. Jas. West. From Shanghai.—For London.—Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Gardner, Miss Gardner, Captain Alington, and Mr. Geo. Nicoll. From Yokohama.—For Penang.—Mr. E. F. Thomas. For London.—Captain Penchand, Messrs. A. C. Verumer, P. L. Sheh, and C. Schipper. From Kobe.—For Brindisi.—Mr. A. A. Wagner. From Nagasaki.—For Venice.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Stout, Miss and Master Stout.

REPORTS.

The German steamship *Fero* reports that she left Saigon on the 25th ultimo. Had moderate winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Zafiro* reports that she left Manila on the 27th ultimo. Had variable winds and fine weather throughout.

The Chinese steamship *Fushun* reports that she left Shanghai on the 26th ultimo, and Swatow on the 29th. Had fine weather.

The British steamship *Danube* reports that she left Haiphong on the 28th ultimo. Had light easterly winds with thick fogs and smooth sea throughout.

The British steamship *Formosa* reports that she left Swatow on the 29th ultimo. From Swatow to Hongkong had light variable winds and cloudy weather.

The British steamship *Ashburne* reports that she left Saigon on the 24th ultimo. Had fine and pleasant weather all the way, accompanied with moderate north-east wind.

The Japanese steamship *Fushiki Maru* reports that she left Kutchinotzu on the 25th ultimo. On the 26th had strong north-west gale with high sea. The remainder of the voyage had fine weather.

The British steamship *Gaelic* reports that she left San Francisco on the 1st ultimo at 3.04 p.m. Had westerly gales, and head sea throughout; arrived at Yokohama on the 23rd at 1.25 p.m. Sailed from Yokohama on the 25th at 0.36 a.m. Had light variable winds and fine weather to Hongkong; arrived here on the 1st instant at 11.57 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ASHINGTON, British steamer, 808, W. Reynell, 29th Feb.,—Saigon 23rd Feb., Rice and Paddy.—Wieler & Co.

BENALDER, British steamer, 1,332, R. W. Thomson, 27th Feb.,—Nagasaki 22nd Feb., Coal. —Gibb, Livingston & Co.

BENARTY, British steamer, 1,119, Le Boutillier, 27th Feb.,—Saigon 22nd February, Rice.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, Bremner, 23rd Feb.,—Saigon 19th February, Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 1,091, P. Haye, 29th Feb.,—Saigon 24th Feb., Rice and Paddy. —Wieler & Co.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO, American steamer, 3,548, W. B. Seabury, 26th Feb.,—San Francisco 21st Jan., and Yokohama 19th Feb., Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

DEVONHURST, Dutch steamer, 1,164, P. Houthoff, 5th Feb., Java, Singapore, and Saigon, 16th January, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, José Marquez, 8th Feb.,—Manila 3rd Feb., and Amoy 6th, General.—Brandão & Co.

DUBURG, German steamer, 921, Bertelsen, 24th Feb.,—Saigon 18th Feb., Rice and Paddy. —Tung Kee & Co.

ESPANA, Spanish steamer, 595, Jose Zavala, 28th Feb.,—Manila 25th Feb., General.—Remedios & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

ILISSUS, French steamer, 779, Roura, 19th Sept., —Singapore 2nd September, General.—Bun Hin Chan.

KUMAMOTO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,237, J. W. Ekstrand, 26th Feb.,—Kutchinotzu 22nd Feb., Coals.—Mitsui Bussan Kaishia.

LOMBARDY, British steamer, 1,787, C. F. Preston, 29th Feb.,—Saigon 25th Feb., Rice.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

NORDEN, Danish steamer, 769, C. H. Davidsen, 22nd Feb.,—Saigon 17th February, Rice.—Wieler & Co.

PEMPTOS, German steamer, 1,541, W. Johannsen, 26th Feb.,—Saigon 21st Feb., Rice.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

RECORDER, British steamer, 676, C. O. Madge, 18th Feb.,—Singapore 31st January.—, E. E. Telegraph Co.

TAICHIOW, British steamer, 862, Joseph Newton, 29th Feb.,—Bangkok 22nd February, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

TAISANG, British steamer, 1,505, Wood, 21st Feb.,—Calcutta 5th Feb., and Singapore 15th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

TAIYUAN, Chinese steamer, ——, W. M. Dodd, 24th Feb.,—Sydney 31st Jan., General.—C. N. Co.

TEHERAN, British steamer, 1,670, F. H. Seymour, 27th Feb.,—Yokohama 19th Feb., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 28th Feb.,—Taiwan, Amoy, and Swatow 27th Feb., General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

TRIUMPH, German steamer, 674, P. Moos, 29th Feb.—Haiphong 26th Feb., and Hoihow 28th, General and Pigs.—Wieler & Co.

WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, 30th Jan.,—Calcutta 14th January, Penang 20th, and Singapore 23rd, General. —Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YUNG-CHING, Chinese steamer, 764, Lincoln, 27th Feb.,—Amoy 26th Feb., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALDEN BESSE, American bark, 812, J. A. O'Brien, 4th Dec.,—Puget Sound 2nd Oct., and Honolulu 28th, Timber and Spars.—Melchers & Co.

B. P. CHENEY, American ship, 1,259, Hughes, 25th Jan.,—New York 17th August, Kerosene Oil.—D. Lapraik & Co.

CENTENNIAL, American ship, 1,222, J. M. Bearse, 27th Jan.,—New York 18th Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

CLAN GRANT, British bark, 1,005, Moody, 13th Dec., London 25th July, General.—Order.

COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Noyes, 27th Dec.,—Portland (Oregon) 29th Oct., Lumber and Spars.—Melchers & Co.

DOROTHEA, German bark, 620, H. Th. Moeller, 29th Jan.,—Hamburg 29th Sept., General, —Siemssen & Co.

EME, British bark, 778, W. Lummers, 23rd Jan., —London 5th Oct., General.—Captain.

ERLKOENIG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

F. P. LITCHFIELD, American bark, 1,012, Young, 5th Feb.,—Singapore 2nd January, Timber. —Ton Long Wo & Co.

GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, Bowell, 17th Feb.,—San Francisco 21st December, Flour.—Russell & Co.

HATTIE E. TAPLEY, British bark, 907, J. McCannachy, 23rd Feb.,—Sandakan 17th Jan., Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

HECHANORGA, British ship, Cann, 5th Feb., —Feb.,—Cardiff 22nd Sept., Coal.—Messageries Maritimes.

JOHN D. BREWER, American bark, 1,020, Josselyn, 11th Jan.,—New York 4th August, Kerosene Oil.—Order.

JOHN M. BLAIKIE, British ship, 1,778, Faulkner, 11th Oct.,—Cardiff 29th June, Coal.—Borneo Co., Limited.

KITY, British bark, 803, Laud, 20th August,—Manila 10th August, Sugar and Hemp.—Captain.

MABEL TAYLOR, British bark, 1,298, Chas. E. Denper, 28th Jan.,—Penarth 17th August, Coal.—Order.

MANUEL, Spanish bark, 992, R. Estival, 6th Jan.,—Manila 27th Dec., Sapanwood.—Remedios & Co.

RIALTO, British bark, 1,182, J. E. Payne, 3rd Jan.,—Melbourne 25th Oct., Ballast. —Order.

SANTA FILOMENA, Spanish steamer, 449, J. de Mendiguren, 24th Jan.,—Iloilo 31st Dec., General.—Kwong Cheong Tai.

SENTA, German bark, 1,037, Tiemann, 26th Jan.,—Cardiff 4th September, Coals.—Order.

SIAM, Siamese bark, 295, Ch. Lange, 29th Jan. —Bangkok 21st December, Teak Wood.—Captain.

THEODOR RUECKER, German ship, 1,576, C. Meyer, 31st Dec.,—Cardiff 5th August, Coals.—Melchers & Co.

TITAN, American ship, 1,276, Allyn, 28th Jan., —New York 28th August, Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co

XENIA, American ship, 1,135, N. E. Reynolds, 27th Feb.,—Nagasaki 20th Feb., Coal.—Captain.

WHAMPOA.

KWANG-LEE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, Andrew, 22nd Feb.,—Shanghai 19th Feb., General. —C. M. S. N. Co.

MEIFOO, Chinese steamer, 1,338, Lancaster, 28th Feb.,—Wuhu 22nd Feb., and Chinkiang 23rd, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

SOOCHOW, British steamer, 100, J. B. Harris, 30th Feb.,—Kobe 13th February General. —Butterfield & Swire.

YANGTSZE, British steamer, 814, T. W. Starling, 27th Feb.,—Shanghai 24th Feb., General. —Siemssen & Co.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Parthia	Vancouver	March 1st	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Huntingdon	Calcutta	March 2nd	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Pathan	London	March 3rd	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Anchises	Liverpool	March 3rd	Butterfield & Swire.
Benlarig	London	March 3rd	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Khiva	Bombay	March 4th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Deepdale	Singapore	March 4th	Adamson, Bell & Co
Devawongse	Glasgow	March 5th	Scottish O. S. S. Co.
Telemachus	Liverpool	March 6th	Butterfield & Swire.
Deccan	London	March 6th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Port Philip	London	March 7th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Electra	Hamburg	March 7th	Siemssen & Co.
City of New York	San Francisco	March 19th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, via Suez Canal	Diomed	Butterfield & Swire	March 4th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Saghalien	Messageries Maritimes.	Mar. 7th, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call	Sachsen	Melchers & Co.	Mar. 19th, at 4 p.m.
Havre, Hamburg, &c.	Polyhymnia	Siemssen & Co.	Mar. 10th, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K., &c.	Parthia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Mar. 15th, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	City of Rio de Janeiro	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Mar. 3rd, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	Gaelic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Mar. 14th, at 3 p.m.
Queensland Ports, &c.	Taiyuan	Butterfield & Swire	Mar. 7th, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Teheran	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mar. 3rd, daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama	Benlarig	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About 4th March.
Nagasaki	Fushiki-maru	Mitsui Bussen Kaishia.	March 4th.
Tientsin	Kwongsang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Mar. 3rd, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Natal	Messageries Maritimes.	To-morrow, at 1 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Anchises	Butterfield & Swire	March 5th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Telemachus	Butterfield & Swire	March 8th.
Shanghai, via Swatow	Canton	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Manila	Zafiro	Russell & Co.	Mar. 3rd, at 4 p.m.
Haiphong	Danube	A. R. Marty	Mar. 4th, daylight.
Hoihow and Bangkok	Taichiow	Yuen Fat Hong	Mar. 4th, daylight.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Thales	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Mar. 3rd, at noon.

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NOTICE.

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H. G. THOMSETT.

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intimate a renewal of activity among the Russian troops. The Austrian war officials suspect that the real object in view is the invasion of Bulgaria. The sinews of war have been obtained by the Russian Treasury by a loan arranged in Amsterdam, which is said to be for £4,000,000. Herr Von Tisza has concluded negotiations with the Frankfort Rothschilds for a loan of 29,000,000 florins.

WINNIPEG, January 28th.

The Dominion Government is seeking to make terms with Manitoba, and makes the following proposition: That disallowance cease in May, 1891; that the improvement of the Red river and Assiniboin road be vigorously prosecuted; that grain and fruit rates be reduced; that an experimental farm be immediately located in the province, and that the Canadian Pacific make the desired extensions to Lewis river. The acceptance of the propositions is not likely.

DETROIT, January 28th.

An express train on the *Detroit Grand Haven* and Milwaukee Railroad, which left here this afternoon, was thrown from the track about sixty-five miles west of here by a broken rail. Everything but the locomotive left the track, the baggage, express and smoking-car overturning and catching fire, but the flames were speedily extinguished. All the passengers were badly shaken up and several were severely injured. The worst one hurt was George Thomas of Owosso, who is probably fatally hurt internally.

AUBURN (N. Y.), January 28th.

The storm shows no sign of abating in this section. The hotels here and at Canajoharie are crowded with snow-bound guests, and there is but little prospect of their being able to continue their journey for some days. Eleven passenger trains are stuck in the drifts within fifty miles of this city. A snow-plow with five engines has been sent on by the New York Central; but its labors are useless, as the wind drifts the snow back on the track as soon as it passes. The snow in cuts near Cato is over thirty feet deep.

NEW YORK, January 28th.

Very little progress has been made to-day in raising the snow blockade in New England. The weather is intensely cold and the wind is blowing so that as fast as the snow-plows or a gang of shovelers clear the way for the trains through the snow-drifts the wind piles up the snow again as bad as ever. Disabled snow-plows and locomotives are strung along nearly every road. At Housatonic a coach and caboose, containing forty shovelers, was upset, and several men were hurt.

In New York State many comparatively large towns have been without communication for three days. It will require many days of moderate weather and an infinite amount of hard work to restore travel to its normal condition. Many points report the coldest weather in half a century. The New York milkmen are notifying their customers to-night that they cannot supply them until the snow blockade is raised.

PHILADELPHIA, January 28th.

The snow blockade in this State continues in the neighborhood of Reading. High winds sprang up at noon, drifting the snow into the tracks of the railroads and undoing the work of the past three days. Communication northward has been cut off. It is the worst storm in a quarter of a century. Willoughby Romero a mail-carrier between Lenhartsville and Allentown, is missing. It is believed that he has perished.

CHATHAM (Mass.), January 28th.

The north-west gale was renewed with increasing force to-night. At 10 o'clock it was blowing fifty miles an hour and intensely cold, with a blinding snow. The ice embargo is how by getting worse, and the position of frozen vessels is getting more perilous.

BOSTON, January 28th.

Reports from northern New England indicate uninterrupted continuance of the cold weather. The snow is badly drifted, and it will take some time to clear the tracks so that travel may be resumed.

CHICAGO, January 29th.

A special from Washington says: There seems to have grown up a kind of family quarrel among the Russians in official life here and in New York over the Russian extradition treaty with the United States. It is stated that the treaty, which has been submitted to the State Department, and which is to come before the Senate Committee for Foreign Relations, was written by Baron Rosen, who was Chargé d'Affaires in the absence of Baron Struve, the Minister, while the latter was in Russia.

When Minister Struve returned here the treaty was laid before him, and meeting his approval, he signed it, assumed its authorship and laid it before his Government for ratification. He claimed to have written it himself and gave no credit to Baron Rosen, the real author. The latter heard of it and made complaint to the Russian Government. The friends of Baron Rosen say that Minister Struve would have been recalled for this had he not gone to St. Petersburg and implored his retention.

Baron Rosen is the Russian Consul-General at present and is located in New York. He claims that Minister Struve has done him great wrong, and there is a coldness between the two men that amounts to fri idity. It is said that Count d'Arnod, of this city, a native of Russia, was also a suggestor in the compilation of the treaty, and that no official reference has been made to what he has done in the matter.

NEW YORK, January 30th.

A *Mail and Express* cable reports the elopement from Paris of a beautiful young society girl with her Italian music teacher. He is 55, wrinkled, sharp-nosed, thin-lipped, bald and what hair he has is red. They have been heard from in Marseilles. Paris is all torn up over the affair.

PARIS, January 30th.

Le Paris states that the Porte has ordered an immediate inquiry into the action of Turkish soldiers at Damascus who entered the French Consulate and seized an Algerian under French protection. The paper also says that the French naval division at Smyrna will proceed to Beyrout to protect French subjects from a threatened outbreak of Moslems, among whom there is great excitement.

DUBLIN, January 31st.

The trial of Cox, Member of Parliament for East Clare, on the charge of violating the Crimes Act by addressing the tenants at Kildysart, was begun to-day at that place. The people of Kildysart and the surrounding neighborhood gathered this morning, and headed by priests, marched to the Courthouse. They were charged by the police, who used their batons freely and succeeded in clearing the streets. Many people were injured. The people collected again, and finally the police decided to allow them to remain. The courtroom was filled with priests.

Messrs. Roche and Boland, merchants of Longford, have been sentenced to three months' imprisonment each, and nine farmers to one month each for taking part in an unlawful assemblage on the occasion of the release from prison of Father Egan.

The trial of Blaine, member of Parliament for South Armagh, on the charge of inciting tenants to resist the authorities, took place to-day. It resulted in conviction. He was sentenced to four months' imprisonment. A motion for appeal was given.

Two evictions were made at Kilmihil, County Clare, to-day. The Sheriff was protected by a force of 200 policemen. The moby in sympathy with the tenants, tolled the chapel bell, groaned and threw missiles at the evictors. The police charged the people and a hot skirmish took place.

Henry Joseph Gill, who represents Limerick City in Parliament, has given notice of his intention to resign his seat. The magistrate who sentenced Father McFadden of Gulldore to three months' imprisonment will remit the question as to the treatment the priest shall receive in prison to the Judge who hears the case on appeal.

CORK, January 31st.

The magistrates have dismissed the summons against Major Roberts, Governor of the County Prison, on account of lack of evidence and the great lapse of time since the alleged offenses. He was accused of assaulting young girls.

BERLIN, January 31st.

The Bunesrath to-day fixed the sum for carrying out the provisions of the new Military bill at 281,500,000 marks, of which 27,300,000 is a non-concurring expenditure and 3,200,000 *marks a permanent loan. The bill was immediately* afterward introduced into the Reichstag. The loan asked for is needed for arming 700,000 extra troops in order to be prepared beforehand for a declaration of war and to avoid confusion.

NEW YORK, February 1st.

The *World's* Ottawa special says: The "League of the Rose" has been instituted here to uphold the ascendancy of the British Empire all over the world. Really, it is directed against the Irish agitators, whom the league proposes to prosecute, if possible.

MAN THE SPENDTHRIFT.

Especially startling, or rather oppressive become the thoughts suggested by so called progress when we remember how much more rapid is the progress of exhaustion growing of our earth's accumulated stores on which the population of the earth in part depends. It might or might not be possible for the present population of the earth to live, as of old the inhabitants of earth were content to live, upon the annual produce of the earth—on the earth's income, not on her capital. But assuredly whether this might be done or not, it is not done at present. Year after year the buried stores of life, for that is really what they should be called, are being brought in greater and greater quantities to the surface, and used to supply the human race with much more than the necessities of life. In two States of the Union alone one kind of accumulated earth life, the petroleum and natural gas store, has been so rapidly used up that within one generation alone stores which were millions of years accumulating will have been almost wholly exhausted. In Great Britain 150,000,000 tons of coal are yearly brought to the pit's mouth, though it has become clear that the effective supply will be exhausted at the present rate of consumption in the course of 10 or 12 generations at the outside. The forests of the earth—at any rate, in all civilised countries—are being steadily destroyed, though it would be quite possible so to arrange matters that the supply used each year should be replaced by new growth during the same time. Like a spendthrift, the human race of to-day, boasting itself "the heir of all the ages" in intelligence, is consuming at a rate fully one hundredfold beyond what is just the supplies which, as heir of all the geological æons, it has received—in trust partly for future generations. That men should rejoice when statistical records attest the steady growth of all civilised nations in population, at the very time that the stores of the earth are being wastefully consumed, is as though the father of a growing family should rejoice at each addition to his family circle at the very time when each year's accounts told him that his means of providing for them were rapidly growing less, and exhaustion was imminently threatened. I have occasion often, as a student of astronomy, to touch on the gradual dying out of the earth's vitality, and to descant on the limited nature of the sun's supply of life-giving energy. I remind my audiences in lectures, and my readers in books and essays, that as the moon has died so must the earth hereafter die; and that as among the stars (those other suns than ours) we find suns that are manifestly fading in lustre, and even evidence of orbs which, though once lustrous, are now dark and dead, so must our sun one day lose his light and heat, and with them his power of sustaining life in the worlds circling around him. But I doubt whether the inhabitants of our world need be very much interested in the future darkness of the sun or in the coming decay and death of the earth. The human race is taking excellent care that its duration shall not extend to either of those dismal times (whichever of them may be the first to come). Millions of years probably before the sun is dark, millions of years before our earth is dead, the civilised human race will have exhausted all that it has to live on, and will have come to an end through sheer inanition. No discovery of new scientific appliances can avail to save our kind from this end, seeing that every such discovery would inevitably lead only to the more rapid exhaustion of the earth's garnered stores. Progress in civilisation, at least along the present lines, can only hasten the coming of the end. For civilisation, as at present understood, cultures as at present alone appreciated, imply steady advance beyond the supply of mere necessities, beyond the mere support of life—the steady development of new wants, fresh pleasures, and greater luxury. Nothing could avail to make the increase of life, which so many contemplate with satisfaction, a real gain, or even to justify it, but some such change in ways of the human races as Cornaro adopted for his own individual habit of life. When he found that he was exhausting the very springs of life, wasting the stored-up constitutional energies of his frame by unduly luxurious living, he wisely changed his way of living to what his friends regarded as a foolishly abstemious regimen. Condemned by the unanimous voice of the physicians to death within two years, he so developed his vital energies that he lived for sixty-four years instead of two, attaining the ripe age of 99 years before death claimed him. Moreover, whereas in the fulness of his youth and manhood life had been but as a burden to him, life during the last three-fifths of his time—for a quarter of a century beyond the fourscore years, when, the Psalmist says, life is but labour and sorrow—was to him well worth living, nay, full of satisfaction and delight. The human race is at present certainly advancing with swift strides towards a very desolate condition, if not towards death. It is not getting very much satisfaction out of its wasteful and thoughtless manner of living. If a few optimists recognise promise of good, more among us pessimistically ask the doleful question, "Is life worth living?" The meliorists who, deploring the evil, still see hope of change to wiser ways are few and low-voiced. Not regimen, which is really needed, but recipe is chiefly suggested by shortsighted men (whom the world mistakes for philosophers) to improve this state of things. Philanthropy, communism, socialism, anarchy, in turn hold out promise of improvement. But in the meantime the stores of life, on which the vitality of the human race as such must depend, are being used up at such a rate that the time of final exhaustion lies within measurable distance. And the statistician boasts, because the records of birth rates and death rates show that the end must be even nearer (supposing no change should take place) than it would be if consumption went on no more quickly than it is already doing.—*Knowledge.*

DRESS REFORM FOR MEN.

Boston, according to the *Chicago Tribune* correspondent, has declared itself in favor of dress reform—not for women, but for men. Eight years ago it became the fashion to cultivate extreme simplicity in masculine attire. Gold shirt-studs were eschewed in favor of costly imitation mother-of-pearl, and even watch chains were not worn with evening dress. Evander Berry Wall—not at that time recognized as the king of dudes, though already considered a chosen exponent of good taste in dress—was criticised for appearing at one of the Philadephia assemblies with a single opal of large dimensions for a shirt-button. But now all this is changed. The tendency at present is in the direction of the ornamental, and the swell young men of Boston are searching the haberdashers' shops—that word is English, you know—for gorgeous novelties in the way of linen and neckware.

Down at Nahant, this summer, the beaus all wore broad sashes of bright-colored silk about their waists. Next season this picturesque mode is to be adopted at every summer resort in the East. In the matter of shirts, however, the change in style is most interestingly perceptible. The white shirt is no longer *en regle*. It must be colored, usually in stripes—with a collar of snowy linen. The very latest—just imported—has three colors, dark red, light pink and blue, running vertically in stripes about one inch in width, colored cuffs attached and white collar. Another is of white pique—running horizontally—and between each two ribs of the pique a narrow thread of vari-colored silk. The favorite shirt of the most distinguished Boston dude is cream colored, with salmon-hued polka dots of silk. Another kind is made of light rose pique, with little dots of white silk floss sprinkled through it. A short time ago shirts with stripes an inch and a half broad, of bright strawberry and light blue, were regarded as the correct thing and could only be obtained to order at fabulous expense, but the cheap furnishing-good shops brought them out ready made at $1.19 a piece, and the trade in them was killed.

A shirt that is worn a great deal by swell men in Boston has three narrow lines of black, running close together across the bosom at intervals of four inches. Dress shirts must open in front—as do all shirts nowadays—and must have a narrow strip of embroidery running down the middle edge. The embroidery is done by hand and is very fine. Such shirts cost $7 apiece. Pale green pique shirts are exceedingly swell and cost $80 a dozen. Some of them have large white figures worked in.

The fashionable waistcoat just now is of white or cream-colored satin, sometimes embroidered in silk with flowery patterns. This, of course, is for evening. Knee breeches, too, are rapidly coming into favor.

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By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 1st March, 1888.

1st March, 1888.

GOVERNOR, Hongkong,

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PARSONS,
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NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER of COMMERCE will be held on FRIDAY, the 9th March, at 3.30 P.M., at the rooms of the Chamber, City Hall, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee and passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1887.

AFTER the ANNUAL MEETING of the CHAMBER, the Bill now before the Legislative Council relating to the REGISTRATION of IMPORTS and EXPORTS of the Colony, will be discussed, and all Members of the Mercantile community interested in this question, are invited to attend, at 4.30 P.M.

By Order,

H. U. JEFFRIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1888. [242

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, at Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1887.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February until the 10th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1888. [205

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 8th day of March next, at NOON, to receive the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1887.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd instant to 8th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

ISAAC HUGHES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1888. [203

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1887.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th February until 10th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1888. [204

SARAWAK GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

TENDERS will be received up to 9 A.M., on MONDAY, the 16th April, 1888, for RENTING the following FARMS for THREE YEARS, from 1st July, 1888, viz:—

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F. O. MAXWELL,
Administering the Government.

Resident's Office,
Kuching, Sarawak, 1st January, 1888. [202

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HEAD OFFICE,
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On the 19th ulto., at Margate, MALCOLM JANSON BROWN, late of Sandakan, aged 45.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

THE CROWN PRINCE.

LONDON, February 28th.

Her Majesty the Queen has received a telegram stating that all hope of the Crown Prince's recovery has been abandoned.

(From the *Courrier d'Haiphong.*)

THE NEW FRENCH UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE.

PARIS, February 19th.

Monsieur Delaporte has been appointed Under-Secretary of State for the Navy and the Colonies.

THE WEATHER IN FRANCE.

A great fall of snow has taken place throughout France; communications are interrupted.

THE FRENCH COLONIAL BUDGET.

February 20th.

The Chamber of Deputies continue to discuss the Colonial budget.

February 21st.

The Budget Committee of the Chamber of Deputies propose a reduction of 800,000 francs on the secret funds allotted to the Ministry of the Interior. The Ministry insists on the item of 1,600,000 francs. The question will be referred to the Cabinet.

(From *Straits Times.*)

PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, February 21st.

Sir James Fergusson denied that the Government were taking military action with regard to Venezuela.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MESSRS. Adamson, Bell & Co. inform us that the steamship *Port Philip*, left Singapore to-day for this port.

WHEN the last mail left home, Governor and Lady Hennessy had arranged to leave England for Mauritius in March.

ACCORDING to advices from Singapore there has been serious rioting there amongst the Chinese. The troops were called out and several Chinese are reported to have been shot. No detailed particulars as to the cause of the trouble have reached us, but it would appear that the Secret Societies are at the bottom of it. A number of Chinese, arrested and convicted for being members of an unlawful assembly, were sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment and thirty strokes of the rattan, which were administered in public before an immense crowd.

MR. F. H. BALFOUR, the absent Editor of the *North China Daily News*, writes to the *Standard*:—The French alphabet, as we all know, does not possess the letter w. Consequently, when the early Jesuit Missionaries to China wished to Romanise the character hwang, which means "yellow," they were forced to cast about for some other letter which should represent approximately the desired sound and ho-ang was the somewhat inadequate result. Why, then, should we English perpetuate what was, after all, only a *pis-aller*? The incorrectness of the popular spelling is shown by the universal tendency to pronounce the word dissyllabically—ho-ang—which is absurd when we remember that Chinese is a monosyllabic language. The proper spelling is either hwang or huang. Let us hear no more of the "Ho-ang Ho."

THE further hearing of the suit J. Pitman *v.* D. Scott has been adjourned till to-morrow.

WE hear that a concert will be given at the City Hall on Monday evening, the 5th instant, in aid of the funds of the Alice Memorial Hospital and the College of Medicine for Chinese. Particulars will be published to-morrow.

WE are informed by the agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.) that the Canadian Pacific Line steamship *Abyssinia* which left Hongkong on January 27th and Yokohama on February 10th, arrived at Vancouver on the 26th ulto.

THE first monthly cup competition for all Divisions of the Hongkong Volunteers will be held on Sunday afternoon, the 4th March. This time has been selected as affording the only opportunity which will enable every man to be present who wishes to be so. A launch will leave Peddar's Wharf at 2.15 p.m. Uniform not necessary.

WE are glad to note from the *Courrier d'Haiphong* that Monsieur Schaedelin, who has served in the Chinese army for many years and obtained the grade of General, and who abandoned his post on the declaration by France of a state of reprisals against China in 1885, has now obtained a concession of 15,000 hectares of carboniferous soil in the neighbourhood of Dong-triеu.

THE episcopal dispute about the Timor prisoners in Macao is still going on—*crescit eundo*—in the papers published in the Holy City. The *Correio* and the *Independente* are at loggerheads in ascertaining whether the Bishop was right or wrong in pronouncing himself in favor of the colonels who have been convicted of participating in the murder of the late Governor Maia.

SAYS the *Straits Times* of the 22nd ulto.:—Vice-Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, K.C.B., having assumed the command-in-chief of the British Squadron landed officially at noon to-day under a salute of 15 guns from Fort Canning. The reception given to the gallant Admiral was of the baldest description and contrasts very unfavourably with that given the previous evening to Rear-Admiral Chandler. There was no guard of honor, either Police or Military, probably on account of the disturbed state of the town, but there was not even an official or the A.D.C., to the Governor to receive His Excellency who had after a few minutes delay, to get into a private carriage and drive off to Government House.

THE Admiralty, says *Truth*, have struggled hard to smother the truth about the *Impérieuse*, but it comes out again in the ugliest shape in the report furnished by her captain to the Admiralty, and just made public. Says this document: "When cruising under steam she is liable to become rather wild, and with any wind requires a good deal of weather-helm, as much as two turns being needed with a fresh breeze abeam." The captain further considers that her masts and rigging should be removed, and reports the ventilation of the dynamo-room to be seriously defective; while, what is far more serious, the broadside torpedo ports cannot be properly worked, even with only 800 tons of coal on board. After this, the less said about "this formidable war-ship," "this valuable addition to the navy," &c., the better.

A SMOKING concert will be held at the head quarters of the Hongkong Volunteers on Saturday evening next, commencing at 9 p.m. Honorary members are cordially invited. Effective members are requested to attend in uniform; each man will be allowed to bring a friend along with him. The following is the programme:—

PART I.

1.—Song.....Sergt. E. Osborne.
2.—Song and Chorus..."Poor Old Jeff"...Gunner Legge.
3.—Quartette'.....'Drinking Song" { Sergt. Lammert, Corpl. Braidwood, Gunners Duncan and Laing.
4.—Song and Chorus..."The Mermaid"..Corpl. Braidwood.
5.—Sword Dance.....The Hon. P. Ryris.
6.—Song.....'The English Man"...Gunner Howard.

PART II.

1.—Song and Chorus..."The Salvation Army"..Lieut. Woolley.
2.—Song and Chorus....."Sailing".....Gunner Campbell.
3.—Recitation..'The Yarn of the Nancy Bell"..Corpl. Dade
4.—Song and Chorus..."The Storm Fiend"...Gunner Chandler.
5.—Song and Chorus....."Nancy Till".....Gunner Shepherd.
6.—Song....."Romany Lass".....Gunner Laing.

God save the Queen.

A CHINAMAN appeared at the Police Court this morning in answer to a summons issued at the instance of A. S. Hooper, a valuer in the Rating Ordinance office, charging him, as the owner of five tenements in Stone Nullah, with unlawfully and knowingly furnishing false particulars on a printed form, regarding such tenements. For No. 47 tenement defendant had returned $56 instead of $82. For another, $48 instead of $50. For another, $56 instead of $68, and for the others $56 for $74; and $56 for $68. Defendant had returned a total of $272 instead of $343. In answer to the Bench plaintiff said, the printed form which was returned had a notice attached as to penalties, there being also a separate notice in Chinese to each form cautioning persons against making any reductions. The defendant explained that he had only made reductions for repairs but that solution of the trouble not being considered "good enough," Mr. Wise fined the defaulter $100 on each house.

THE Macao *Independente* of the 28th ulto. depicts in unmistakeable colours the degradation into which that colony has sunk owing to the distorted policy followed by Portugal with regard to all its colonial possessions. The new budget for the district or province of Macao and Timor, says the semi-official organ, is devoid of all justice towards these colonies. The numerous proposals made by the local Government have been overruled and overridden by the Lisbon autocrats. Urgent public works have been demanded for Macao and have been as promptly refused by the Mother-country. An immense dredger is now promised in exchange,—the *Independente* says in derision—, and nothing further is to be done towards ameliorating the commercial position of that fast decaying settlement. "Dredger or dragon! concludes the paper we have under review,—"we hail in thee the carcase of an illustrious mortal! Thou art the disobstructing angel of our harbour, alighting on it to obstruct it for evermore. May all the frogs jubilate at the advent of their wooden king!"

MR. C. V. Creagh left Perak for Sandakan on the 20th ulto. to take up his new position as Governor of British North Borneo.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. courteously informs us that the steamship *Deccan*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port yesterday at 4 p.m.

THERE will be moonlight parade and a march out of the Left Divison of the Hongkong Volunteers on Friday evening next. All members of the Corps are invited to attend. A parade will take place at head quarters at 8.45 p.m. Uniform blue, forage cap, waistbelt, and pouch.

FOR the first time in our recollection the report and accounts of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank have been reproduced in the Macao papers. The *Independente* publishes it in English, under the impression, undoubtedly, that it will be understood by the local fraternity of polyglots.

THE following particulars of the general budget of French Indo-China for 1888 will be found interesting: The revenue is derived from various sources: Metropolitan subsidy, frcs.—20,000,000. Home contribution for the military stationed in Indo-China—1,770,000. Home contribution for the Civil list—3,136,150. Re-imbursement of military expenditure—4,000,000. Posts and telegraphs—584,000. Cochin-China contingent—18,500,000. Annam and Tonquin contingent—5,000,000. Cambodia contingent—1,000,000. Customs duties—760,000. Reserve surplusage—1,600,000. Total revenue—frcs. 56,350,000. Expenditure:—Governor-General—frcs. 682,000. Treasury—75,000. Military service—33,284,193.35. Navy—9,663,000. Customs—4,903,632.37. Posts and telegraphs—3,706,565.55. Common reserve fund for Indo-China—4,037,758.73. Total expenditure—frcs. 56,350,150.

A CONTRIBUTER to an Australian contemporary says:—A friend writing many thousands of miles away asks me whether I have yet learned the universal language, "Volapuk," adding by way of contrast to the time occupied in learning Greek, Latin, or (among live languages) German, that this new language can be learnt in six weeks, because its grammar is simple, and it has no irregular anythings. The word "Volapuk" itself may be taken as a sample. Vola, language of; puk, the world. The inflexions are stuck on at the tail of the words in the shape of vowels. Vol is language, Vol-a is language of, Vol-e is, I suppose, language to, and so on through all the cases. I have been obliged, humbly to confess, in response to my friend's inquiry that Volapuk is one of the numerous languages in which I have learnt to be as silent as Von Moltke, and (may I say so to the Volapukstrians?) in which I hope to remain silent for the rest of my life. When that unhappy Schleyer devoted himself for some 20 years to the invention of this Volapuk as a language which should supersede all others, he seems to have forgotten that a language without a literature (if it fell from Heaven itself) must be about as interesting as a free-trade banquet at which all mention of the names of Cobden, Bright, and Villiers should be prohibited. By the bye, could any human being propose to a girl in Volapuk? Would he, in short, use Volapuk in any other way than as a commercial signalling code?

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Puisne Judge and the Full Court).

Appellant—KWONG YUNG SING.
Respondent CHU-TUNG.

This was an appeal instituted by Kwong-Yung-Sing who was convicted at the Magistracy on the 21st Jan. under the Opium Ordinance, and at the suggestion of the Opium farmer, for having moved out of the colony 32 chests of Opium without complying with the Ordinance in force relating to the import and export of the drug,—against the conviction and the fine imposed on him by the Police Magistrate. Particulars of the case have already been published in the Police reports.

Mr. A. Robinson, instructed by Mr. C. Ewens appeared for the appellant, and Mr. E. L. O'Malley, Attorney-General, instructed by Mr. W. Wotton, for the respondent.

Mr. Robinson based his appeal on the following points:—That the Excise officer who apprehended the appellant was not empowered to prosecute in this particular case. That the moving of Opium undertaken by the appellant did not come under the provisions of the Ordinance regulating the import and export of the article, as he was not strictly exporting the article when apprehended, but simply conveying it to the Chinese Custom house where he intended to pay the lekin duty. That if any section of the Ordinance had been infringed by appellant, the infringement consisted only in the omission of a formality—that of filling up the respective schedules at the office of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports. That the Section of the Ordinance under which the appellant was prosecuted and convicted, did not apply to his case, as not being strictly an exporter, but simply a conveyer of opium from the colony, to the Chinese Custom house, he did not come under the class of exporters for whom the provision of the Ordinance had been made.

The Attorney General replied at great length controverting Mr. Robinson's arguments. As regarded the Excise officer, there was nothing whatever to prevent him from prosecuting all defaulters of the opium Ordinance. With regard to the allegation that the appellant was not exporting but simply moving opium in the waters of the colony, the object of the Ordinance was to protect not only the Opium farmer but the farm itself, as a source of public revenue, and if opium merchants could move the article from the colony without the sufficient permits and without complying with other formalities imposed by the Ordinance, the interests of both the farmer and the Government would be materially affected. As to the act itself, it was known that the appellant had managed to move his 32 chests of opium without notifying the Superintendent of exports and imports of his intentions; he had filled up some permit forms, but for other quantities than those he intended to export.

After Mr. Robinson had made some further remarks on his learned friend's contention, their lordships reserved judgment.

FIRE IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Those enthusiastic members of the Fire Brigade who come out in such a lively manner in the showy uniform of their corps, often before the sound is out of the bell, had their zeal gratified last night at 10.30 by a big blaze in the western division of the town, and were prompt indeed, in obeying the summons to arms with such weapons as custom and common sense has provided. The Fire fiend made his first appearance at No. 229 Queen's Road West, on the right hand side of the way leading to the Sailor's Home, and less than a quarter of a mile from that institution which is so celebrated for sober decorum and order. Very soon after the first alarm from the belfry, although the wires did not give that ready notice which is expected of them, four Engines were on the spot—three Government and one Volunteer—and quickly shook themselves together, and began delivering their streams of water, but not before two or three houses on each side of that which was the first to burn, had also been enveloped in the leaping and roaring flames. By half past eleven and on towards midnight it looked as if the whole district was doomed, but as the burning houses were only of the two story order, and bad lanes immediately behind them, the Brigades were enabled to attack them back and front, and thus pour in a heavy fusilade of the "liquid element." By half past twelve the back of the conflagration was broken, thanks to the laborious efforts of the Brigades whose members, one and all, worked with splendid dash and impulse. By twelve o'clock no less than nine houses along the line of, and fronting the street, were wrapped in a great volume of lambent fire, against which it appeared quite hopeless to struggle and the care of the Brigades was then turned more to the adjoining houses, and thus by copious streams of water stop the flames from spreading. Fortunately the wind was not strong or the houses on the opposite side of the street would have been caught up in the far reaching and rolling tongues of fire, as it was, they had a very narrow escape and came out of the ordeal with wooden sign-boards and verandahs pretty heavily scorched. The Brigades were under the personal direction of Superintendent Wodehouse, A. S. Horspool, and other officers of the department. We believe, the houses burnt, whose numbers are 223, 225, 227 229, 231, 233, 235 and 239 were all covered by German underwriters. The cause of the fire breaking out was the turning over of a paraffin lamp.

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Natal*, Capt. Such, with the French mails of the 9th January, arrived in harbour this afternoon.—We extract the following items from the *London and China Express*:—

Captain John B. Warren, has been appointed to the command of the *Audacious*.

Captain F. W. Steele, Commissariat and Transport Corps, has been posted to the Straits Settlements for duty.

H.M.S. *Imperieuse*, 10, cruiser, first class, having completed her defects, will be commissioned on April 4, to relieve the *Audacious* as flagship on the China Station.

The steamer *Benlarig*, which was towed into Gibraltar in December last with machinery broken down, is ready for sea, and was expected to leave Gibraltar on the 21st inst.

Amongst the calls to the Bar by the Middle Temple on the 25th inst. we notice the name of Mr. Alexander Frater, M.A., Aberdeen University, F.R.G.S., Her Majesty's Consul, Kiungchow, China.

Admiral de Lajaille, French Naval Commander-in-Chief in China, left Marseilles on the 26th inst. for his post. The mission entrusted to him may only be temporary, and the Minister of Marine has decided to delay the despatch of the *Rapide* until receiving the report of the Admiral.

The owners of the steamer *Oxfordshire* have received the following telegram from their Lisbon agents, dated the 28th inst.: "*Cascapedia* in pratique. Consul telegraphed Board Trade for instructions about survivors *Oxfordshire*. Reports *Cascapedia* three weeks. Collision occurred 7 p.m. 18th, was almost instantaneous; steamers never locked, but glided off immediately. Negro (saved) affirms *Oxfordshire* foundered almost immediately."

The P. and O. steamer *Kaisar-i-Hind* and the Glen Line steamer *Glenfalloch*, both outward bound for China, were in collision off Barking yesterday afternoon. The *Glenfalloch* had two boats smashed, davits broken, and rails damaged on the port side, and the mizen topmast and fore topsail yard broken, and is now moored off Gravesend. The *Kaisar-i-Hind* proceeded; the extent of her damage, if any, is not known. The *Glenfalloch* has docked at Tilbury for repairs.

German shipowners are making exertions for a revision of the German regulations for measuring sea-going vessels, and Mr. Adolph Woermann, lately in Parliament, has delivered a speech on the matter in which he showed that by the English mode of measuring, vessels, especially steamships, about 10 per cent. is saved than by the German mode. German vessels, therefore, in all foreign countries are much disprofited against English vessels, and the German shipowners are striving for either a substantial revision of the German rules or the adoption of the English measuring ones.

Captain George John Anstruther, R.N., who died on the 19th inst., entered the Navy in 1836, became Sub-Lieutenant, 1861; Lieutenant, 1862; Commander, 1870; and Captain, 1879. When Midshipman he was present at the attack on the Peiho forts; employed in boats of *Magicienne* in destruction of Chinese piratical fleets and harbours, from August 26 to September 4, 1858 (China medal); Lieutenant of the Leopard at the bombardment of Simonoseki, Japan, 1864. The Royal Humane Society's silver medal was awarded him in August, 1858, when he went overboard, and rescued a seaman who had jumped out of a boat to avoid a stink-pot fired by Chinese pirates, and was in great danger of drowning.

In the Tea market depression exists in the lowest Chinese Congous, which stand at quotations probably the lowest on record say, 3½d. per lb. for what may fairly be classed as "ordinary common." Quality is invariably depreciated when the article is quoted low. For better kinds of Ten New Makes are notably doing fairly well for the desirable parcels offered from recent arrivals. Indian Tea has continued to meet with brisk competition, and the grades under, say, 1s. per lb., are against the buyer; the finer Teas tend downwards, and of finest there is little offering, but such realise a high price. For Ceylon, the imports arriving are generally undesirable, many having what is called a Java flavour. We have to report a very quiet market in Silk; the few transactions that have taken place have been at about previous rates. The deliveries show some improvement. They are from 1st to 26th inst., 823 China, 98 Japan, 476 Cannot, 203 Tussah, total 1,600 bales.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer, *Gaelic*, Capt. G. G. Pearne, with the American mails of the 18th ulto., arrived in port this afternoon. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our San Francisco exchanges:—

PHILADELPHIA, January 24th.

The disastrous conflagration in the retail millinery and ladies' furnishing district at Eighth and Arch streets last night, was gotten under control about 2 o'clock this morning after half a dozen firms had been completely burned out, and some 150 to 200 other establishments seriously damaged by fire and water. It is difficult as yet to obtain definite estimates, but the loss no doubt will aggregate over $1,000,000, which is nearly covered by insurance. The estimated loss is: To Marks Brothers, $375,000, insurance, $300,000; to Showman Brothers, $100,000, insurance, $80,000; to Adolph Heller, $150,000; to Strauss, Tachauser & Co., $60,000; to Jane L. Baxter, $35,000; on destroyed buildings occupied by above firms, $200,000. The losses to various other firms will range from $2000 to $6000.

LONDON, January 24th.

De Lesseps' Panama canal works continue to be so widely discussed in Europe that a communication received from Tankerville Chamberlain, the ex-British Consul at Panama, cannot fail to be interesting. He takes a much more favorable view of the outlook than most others who have inspected the progress made. He believes that next year a section twelve miles long from Colon will be completed, and from Bohio to Matachin. The section from Paraiso to Rio Grande will be finished June, 1889. Eiffett's contracts calls for the completion of the section from Matachin to Paraiso, including the Culebra cut, in February 1890, when the section must be handed over with the locks. De Lesseps' scheme is only temporarily modified, Chamberlain writes, and says that in his opinion the chances are good for the completion of the canal. Excavations will be continued after the canal has been opened.

PANAMA, January 24th.

The company has engaged another contracting firm, Erzinger, Dephieux, Galtier & Co., and has entrusted to them the construction of the locks which were lately determined upon. These gentlemen arrived on the Isthmus, December 2nd, and have already begun operations. The authorities are taking stringent measures against the introduction of the cholera. Special sanitary regulations have been issued.

NEW YORK, January 25th.

A Key West special says: During the last ten days Havana has been in a perfect turmoil and on the verge of mob violence. The trouble is caused by the unscrupulous acts of Captain-General Marin and his officials. Although Marin has been in office but three months, his administration is reeking with crimes of every description. The Government tax is short $50,000, the local Board of Aldermen has gobbled $40,000, the Cardenas tax office is short $10,000, and every office of trust is honeycombed with fraud. Two weeks ago the indignant citizens made vain appeals to Marin for protection. A mass meeting was held, but Marin ordered armed guards at the gathering and prevented the speakers from addressing the people. *El Progreso*, the mercantile newspaper, denounced Marin's act, and yesterday the paper was suppressed by order of the despot. When Marin learned that several merchants were sending cablegrams of protest to the home Government, he posted an armed guard about the cable office. On Sunday there were twelve murders, one suicide, eight highway robberies and four stabbing affrays in Havana and Cardenas. A special from Havana last night said that the situation is becoming more alarming every moment.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 26th.

Bernardo Pehcio de Pindella, of Lisbon, is in the city. From the quarantined *Gaelic* he had viewed San Francisco for some time, but could only land yesterday. The gentleman was Secretary of Legation with the Portuguese Minister who went to China to secure a commercial treaty with the Flowery Kingdom. Mr. Pindella says the efforts of his Government were successful. The Chinese diplomats showed a vast amount of ability in handling the questions touched on, but there was nothing done to obstruct the work of the officials. Portugal's Minister Plenipotentiary remains in China to ratify the treaty. Speaking of the advance Americans and Europeans are making into China, Mr. Pindella said the foreign element is not largely represented. There is really no attraction for them. He is of the opinion that it will be many years before aliens secure a foothold among the Chinese. To-morrow Mr. Pindella will leave for Chicago, where he will spend a day, and he will then go to New York and on to Portugal, *viâ* Liverpool.

BERLIN, January 26th.

I am informed by influential persons to-day that the announcement of the betrothal of the Crown Prince of Italy to Princess Henriette of Belgium, daughter of the Count of Flanders, may be expected, although nothing is known as to when the Crown Prince will return to Berlin. The trade guilds and other public bodies are making arrangements for giving him a reception.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 27th.

The *Grashdanin* (official organ of the Government) says that at the court ball last evening, General Von Schweinitz, German Embassador, was seated at the Imperial supper table on the Czarina's right, while Chakir Pasha, the Turkish Embassador, had a seat on her left. The Czar was not present at the supper, but he walked through the ballroom and conversed with the guests.

The *Invalide-Russe*, War Office organ, says the Government will take advantage of the annual conference of the Government, Generals and the Commander at St. Petersburg to propose the formation of a special commission, with the older Grand Duke St. Nicholas as President, to examine into the military commissariat and disciplining system.

ROME, January 27th.

The Pope has written an autograph letter to the Czar, thanking him for his expressions of good will in the address the Czar sent him on the occasion of his jubilee. The Czar hoped that his Holiness would aid him in harmonizing the needs of the Roman Church in Russia with the fundamental principles of his Empire. To this the Pope replies that the Holy See is prepared to do everything in its power to meet the desires of the Russian Government.

LONDON, January 27th.

Mail advices from St. Petersburg say that the Government's intentions are to largely increase the Russian garrisons on the Pacific coast and greatly augment the Pacific fleet.

PESTH, January 28th.

In the lower House of the Hungarian Diet Premier Tisza, replying to Herr Helly's interpellation in reference to the Government taking initiative steps toward summoning an international conference to consider the present troubles between Russia and Austria, and as to whether Austria might count on the alliance of Germany and Italy, emphatically declared that there was no ground to doubt the good faith of the allied Powers for their own peace and security. In consequence of the marked displacement of Russian troops and their transfer in the direction of the Austrian frontiers, the Hungarian Government, without doubting the Czar's pacific declarations considered it necessary to see that measures were taken to assure the safety of the frontier. He hoped that peace-loving Governments would succeed in maintaining peace and removing the existing feeling of insecurity.

BERLIN, January 28th.

Herr Von Tisza's statements in the lower House of the Hungarian Diet has confirmed the conviction that war between Austria and Russia is inevitable. Each is simply lying in wait for the first chance to strike. Reports received at the War Office from agents on the Polish frontier

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

N°. 1867. THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1888. SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

Banks.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN $1, or MORE THAN $250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

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4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3½ % per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, viz. the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be delivered free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hong, 1st September, 1887. [9

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Manager.
10] HONGKONG BRANCH.

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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1888. [8

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1887. [25

Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO."
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1888. [1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "CLAYMORE,"
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 1st proximo, will be subject to rent.
All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 1st March, or they will not be recognised.
All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will examined on THURSDAY, the 1st proximo, at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1888. [212

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BRECONSHIRE,"
FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 2nd proximo, will be subject to rent at the rate of one cent per package per day.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 2nd March, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1888. [209

Intimations.

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1888-89.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the Undersigned until 10 A.M., on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, from persons desirous of supplying the undermentioned Articles for the use of H. M. NAVY for the year 1888-89.

BISCUITS,	FLOUR,
SOFT BREAD,	RAISINS,
FRESH BEEF,	RICE,
" VEGETABLES,	SUGAR,
" POTATOES,	TEA, and
" MILK,	FRESH WATER.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further particulars can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.
The right to reject the lowest or any Tenders is reserved.

W. H. LOBB,
Naval & Victualling Storekeeper.
Hongkong Victualling Yard,
20th February, 1888. [213

LEE TUK CHEONG, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Persons having CLAIMS or DEMANDS against or upon the ESTATE of LEE TUK CHEONG late of Victoria, Hongkong, Merchant, who died on the 5th May, 1887, are required to send to me at my Office at No. 61, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid, full particulars of such Claims or Demands on or before the 30th April next in order that the same may be examined by LEE SOW KEW the Administrator of his Estate, and if found correct duly discharged, and all Persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to pay the amount of their respective Debts to me.
This 28th February, 1888.

HO WYSON,
241] Solicitor to the Administrator.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 4 % or $5 per Share for the six months ended 31st December, 1887, declared at to day's Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be payable at the Premises of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after TUESDAY, the 28th inst., and Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants at the Company's Office, No. 14, Praya Central, Hongkong.
By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1888. [230

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half-year ending 31st December, 1887, at the rate of (£1.10/) ONE POUND AND TEN SHILLINGS STERLING per Share of $125 is Payable on and after MONDAY NEXT, the 27th instant, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.
By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1888. [229

Intimations.

HEUERMANN, HERBST & CO.,
SOLE AGENTS FOR:

EXPORT BIER BRAUEREI, DREWS & Co.,
Gaarden, near Kiel.
IMPERIAL BEER, Quarts and Pints.
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APENRADE ACTIEN BRAUEREI.
APENRADE BEER, in Quarts and Pints.
BERGEDORF VEREINS BRAUEREI.
BERGEDORF BEER in Quarts and Pints.
BREWERY "BAVARIA" MUNICH.
HACKERBRAEU in Quarts and Pints.
FRIEDRICH KROTE'S COBLENZ,
Celebrated Champagne, Rhine and Moselle Wines, Excelsior Champagne, Carte d'Or, Carte Blanche, Moselle Mousseux, Laubenheimer, Geisenheimer, Rauenthaler, Josefshofer, Berncastler Doctor, &c.
Now on view, for the first time imported to this Colony:
SPLENDID PIANOS
With Mechanism for transposing for the accompaniment of singing or other instruments.

HEUERMANN, HERBST & CO.,
Queen's Road, 14.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1888. [27

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

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SADDLES.
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BRIDLES & SPURS.
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COLOURED FELT HATS.
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FASHIONABLE HOISERY.
DOGSKIN DRIVING GLOVES.
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Also
RIDING BOOTS and BOOT TOPS.

Lane, Crawford & Co.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1888. [29

W. BREWER
HAS JUST RECEIVED.

A VERY fine Ebony iron frame trichord Piano especially made for the Climate by Schwerr.
Has also 2 iron back trichord Pianos nearly new, fine tone and guaranteed to stand the Climate $175 and $200. Pianos for hire, $8 per month.

NEW-BOOKS.
Marine Engineers Annual.
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Matriculation Magnetism and Electricity.
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New Exchange Tables 2/8 to 3/2.
Haydn's Dictionary of Dates new edition.
Globe Encyclopædia, 6 vols. ½ Calf.
Fine quality Squeezer Playing Cards.
New Dance Programme and Menus.
New Lamp Shades.
Prayer and Hymns in Cases.
Hymns Ancient and modern with Music.
Blotting Pads and Diary Combined.
New Egyptian Cigarettes.
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W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1888. [100

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ARE now Showing a nice assortment of LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WARM CLOTHING in JACKETS, DRESSES, SKIRTS, GAITERS, HOODS, and HATS in Wool.
GENTLEMEN'S CASHMERE, ANGOLA,
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ROSE & CO.
37 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1888. [40

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A BOX containing 50 Correspondence Cards with turned-down corners, stamped in coloured relief from die—"Hongkong," and space for date .....50 Cents.
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A Box containing 40 Mediæval Correspondence Cards with ragged edges, in Antique Style, with Envelopes to match .....50 Cents.
A Box of Mediæval Paper and Envelopes in the same style.....50 Cents.
A Box of Folding Double Size Correspondence Cards and Envelopes, stamped in Gold, with quaint devices .....50 Cents.
The "Club Papeterie"; a Box containing 50 sheets Treble Thick Vellum Note Paper with Envelopes to match.....50 Cents.
The "One Pound" Packet of Superfine Cream Laid Note Paper .....25 Cents.
The "One Pound" Packet of Superfine Antique Note Paper .....25 Cents.
The "Moorleigh" Packet, consisting of 24 Quires Ruled Foolscap.....50 Cents.
A Five-Quire Packet of Ruled Foolscap Quarto Manuscript or Sermon Paper .....50 Cents.
The "Sight-Preserving" Box of Correspondence Cards, containing 25 Mottled Grey Gilt edge Cards and 25 Envelopes to match.....25 Cents.
The "Primrose Stationery Cabinet" containing 50 sheets of Primrose Tinted Note Paper with Envelopes to match .....50 Cents.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1888 [7

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NEW GOODS.

TALL SILK HATS.
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Black, Brown Drab, and Grey Hard Felt Hats.
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Silk Umbrellas from $5 each over 100 to choose from.
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Fine Black Diagonal & Corkscrew for Dress Suits.
Black, Blue and Brown Fancy and Diagonal Coatings.
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White and Fancy Vestings.
French Printed Shirtings.
Unshrinkable Flannel.
Ready Made
Ulsters in Stock.
Solid Leather Portmanteaus.
Overland Trunks, Gladstone Bags, and a variety of Travelling Cases, all sizes.
Winter, Medium and Summer Under Vests and Pants.
Silk half Hose Black, Navy and Colors.
Lamb's Wool Merino and Lisle Thread half Hose.
White Dress Shirts.
Lacing & Elastic side Walking Boots and Shoes.
Shooting Boots, Rubber Boots.
Patent Leather Boots & Shoes.
Dancing Pumps all sizes.
Large Stocks of Scarfs, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Braces, &c.

ROBT. LANG & CO.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1888. [91

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
RACE PONIES, HACKS, &c.

MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., will hold their Annual Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 2nd of March, at 4 O'CLOCK, at the FOUNTAIN opposite CITY HALL.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1888. [237

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. CHR. NONCHEN has been authorised to sign our Firm per procuration.

PUSTAU & Co.
Canton, 14th February, 1888. [189

NOTICE.

MR. M. GROTE has this day been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

CHATER & VERNON.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1888. [53

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship
"ZAEIROS"
Captain Talbot, will be despatched for the above Port, on SATURDAY, the 3rd inst., at FOUR P.M., instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. [240

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.
(PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"TEHERAN"
will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at DAYLIGHT.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1888. [3

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA.

FOR NAGASAKI,
Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

THE Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Steamship
"FUSHIKI MARU,"
Captain Thompsen, will be despatched for the above Port, on SUNDAY, the 4th March.
For Freight, apply to

Y. FUKUHARA,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1888. [231

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 A. I. I. American Ship
"PACTOLUS,"
Th. Burnham, Master, shortly expected here, will load here for the above Port, and will have a quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to

PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1888 [227

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. II. American Ship
"GREAT ADMIRAL,"
J. F. Rowell, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1888. [220

Mails.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship
"GAELIC"
will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, at THREE P.M.
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.
All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco	$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months	350.00
To Liverpool	333.00
To London	338.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1888. [3

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"
will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.
Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, viâ Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco	$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months	350.00
To Liverpool	333.00
To London	338.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Passengers who have paid full fare, embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*
Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same if required.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs in San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1888. [1

CANADIAN PACIFIC LINE.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING
RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship
"PARTHIA"
1,167 Tons Register, Wallace, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C. and SAN FRANCISCO, viâ NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 15th March, at THREE P.M.
To be followed by the S. S. "ABYSSINIA" in April.
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with Pacific Coast Points by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
First-class Fares granted as follows:—

To Vancouver (Mex.)	$160.00
To Victoria and San Francisco	175.00
To all Common Points in Canada and the United States	200.00
To Liverpool	300.00
To London	305.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese and Japanese Customs, to be obtained on application.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.
Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 14th March.
All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.
For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1888. [36

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 19th day of March, 1888, at 4 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain A. Taeger, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above. Calling at GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 18th March, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENTS' Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1888. [4